



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

May 31, 2007

H.R. 276 **Piedras Blancas Historic Light Station Outstanding** **Natural Area Act of 2007**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on May 23, 2007*

H.R. 276 would establish the Piedras Blancas Historic Light Station Outstanding Natural Area on 18 acres of federal land in San Luis Obispo County, California. The legislation would require the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to develop a comprehensive management plan for the area within three years. Based on information from the agency, CBO estimates that the cost to develop a plan and manage the federal land would total less than \$100,00 annually over the 2008-2012 period, assuming the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 276 could affect direct spending by withdrawing the 18 acres from programs to develop natural resources. According to BLM, however, the land currently generates no significant receipts and is not expected to do so over the next 10 years. Therefore, we estimate that the proposed withdrawal would have an insignificant effect on offsetting receipts (a credit against direct spending). Enacting the legislation would not affect revenues.

H.R. 276 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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